shall be conspicuously and centrally located and shall be marked as required by §97.37-9 of this subchapter. For systems installed on or after July 1, 1957, alarms will be mandatory only for systems required to be fitted with a delayed discharge. Such alarms shall be so arranged as to sound during the 20 second delay period prior to the discharge of carbon dioxide into the space, and the alarm shall depend on no source of power other than the carbon dioxide

### §95.15-35 Enclosure openings.

(a) Where mechanical ventilation is provided for spaces other than cargo and similar spaces which are protected by a carbon dioxide extinguishing system, provisions shall be made so that the ventilation system is automatically shut down with the operation of the system to that space.

(b) Where natural ventilation is provided for spaces protected by a carbon dioxide extinguishing system, provisions shall be made for easily and effectively closing off the ventilation.

(c) Means shall be provided for closing all other openings to the space protected from outside such space. In this respect, relatively tight doors, shutters, or dampers shall be provided for openings in the lower portion of the space. The construction shall be such that openings in the upper portion of the space can be closed off either by permanently installed means or by the use of canvas or other material which is normally carried by the vessel.

### §95.15-40 Pressure relief.

(a) Where necessary, relatively tight compartments such as refrigeration spaces, paint lockers, etc., shall be provided with suitable means for relieving excessive pressure accumulating within the compartment when the carbon dioxide is injected.

## § 95.15-90 Installations contracted for prior to November 19, 1952.

(a) Installations contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Existing arrangements, materials, and facilities previously approved shall be considered satisfactory so long as they meet the minimum requirements

of this paragraph and they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Minor repairs and alterations may be made to the same standards as the original installation.

(2) The details of the systems shall be in general agreement with §§95.15–5 through 95.15–40 insofar as is reasonable and practicable, with the exception of §95.15–5(d)(1), (2) and (4) covering spaces other than cargo spaces, which systems may be installed in accordance with paragraphs (a) (3) through (6) of this section.

(3) In boilerrooms, the bilges shall be protected by a system discharging principally below the floor plates. Perforated pipe may be used in lieu of discharge nozzles for such systems. The number of pounds of carbon dioxide shall be equal to the gross volume of the boilerroom taken to the top of the boilers divided by 36. In the event of an elevated boiler room which drains to the machinery space, the system shall be installed in the engineroom bilge and the gross volume shall be taken to the flat on which the boilers are installed.

(4) In machinery spaces where main propulsion internal combustion machinery is installed, the number of pounds of carbon dioxide required shall be equal to the gross volume of the space taken to the under side of the deck forming the hatch opening divided by 22.

(5) In miscellaneous spaces other than cargo or main machinery spaces the number of pounds of carbon dioxide required shall be equal to the gross volume of the space divided by 22.

(6) Branch lines to the various spaces other than cargo and similar spaces shall be as noted in Table 95.15–90(a)(6). This table is based on cylinders having discharge outlets and siphon tubes of % inch diameter.

TABLE 95.15-90(a)(6)

| Number of cylinders     |                               | Nominal pipe size, inches   |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Over                    | Not over                      | Nominal pipe size, inches   |
| 2<br>4<br>6<br>12<br>16 | 2<br>4<br>6<br>12<br>16<br>27 | 1/2—standard. 3/4—standard. 1—extra heavy. 11/4—extra heavy. 11/2—extra heavy. 2—extra heavy. |

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TABLE 95.15-90(a)(6)—Continued

| Number of cylinders         |                              | Nominal pipe size, inches  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Over                        | Not over                     | Nominal pipe size, inches  |  |  |
| 27<br>39<br>60<br>80<br>104 | 39<br>60<br>80<br>104<br>165 | 2½—extra heavy. 3—extra heavy. 3½—extra heavy. 4—extra heavy. 5—extra heavy. |  |  |
|                             | Over 27 39 60 80             | Over Not over  27 39 39 60 60 80 80 104                                      |  |  |

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# Subpart 95.17—Foam Extinguishing Systems, Details

#### § 95.17-1 Application.

(a) Where a foam extinguishing system is installed, the provisions of this subpart, with the exception of §95.17-90, shall apply to all installations contracted for on or after November 19, 1952. Installations contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, shall meet the requirements of §95.17-90.

### §95.17-5 Quantity of foam required.

- (a) Area protected. (1) For machinery and similar spaces, the system shall be so designed and arranged as to spread a blanket of foam over the entire tank top or bilge of the space protected. The arrangement of piping shall be such as to give a uniform distribution over the entire area protected.
- (2) Where an installation is made to protect an oil fired boiler installation on a flat which is open to or can drain to the lower engineroom or other space, both the flat and the lower space shall be protected simultaneously. The flat shall be fitted with suitable coamings on all openings other than deck drains to properly restrain the oil and foam at that level. Other installations of a similar nature will be considered in a like manner.
- (3) Where a system is installed to protect a tank, it shall be so designed and arranged as to spread a blanket of foam over the entire liquid surface of the tank within the range of usual trim. The arrangement of piping shall be such as to give a uniform distribution over the entire area protected.
- (b) Rate of application. (1) For spaces other than tanks, the rate of discharge to foam outlets protecting the hazard

shall be at least as set forth in this paragraph.

- (i) For chemical foam systems with stored "A" and "B" solutions, a total of at least 1.6 gallons per minute of the two solutions shall be discharged for each 10 square feet of area protected.
- (ii) For other types of foam systems, the water rate to the dry powder generators or air foam production equipment shall be at least 1.6 gallons per minute for each 10 square feet of area protected.
- (2) For tanks, the rate of discharge to foam outlets protecting the hazard shall be as set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, except that the value of 1 gallon per minute shall be substituted in both cases for the value of 1.6 gallons per minute.
- (c) Supply of foam producing material. (1) There shall be provided a quantity of foam producing material sufficient to operate the equipment at the discharge rate specified in paragraph (b) of this section for a period of at least 3 minutes for spaces other than tanks, and for at least 5 minutes for tanks.
- (d) Separate supply of foam agent. A separate supply of foam agent need not be provided for each space protected. The total available supply shall be at least sufficient for the space requiring the greatest amount.
- (e) Water supply for required pumps. Where pumps are required, the water supply shall be from outside the space protected and shall in no way be dependent upon power from the space protected.

### § 95.17-10 Controls.

- (a) The foam agent, its container, and all controls and valves for the operation of the system shall be of an approved type.
- (b) The foam agent container and all controls and valves for the operation of the system shall be outside the space protected and shall not be located in such space as might be cut off or made inaccessible in the event of fire in any of the spaces protected. The control space shall be as convenient as practicable to one of the main escapes from the spaces protected, and shall be marked as required by §97.37-13 of this subchapter. Where pumps are required,